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THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF CUBAN MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING ASSASSINATION DURING THE PERIOD 5-8 APRIL HAS BEEN PREPARED BY THE [redacted]A

1. GRANMA /HAVANA DAILY NEWSPAPER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CUBA/, 5 APRIL 68, FRONT PAGE - "LAST MINUTE NEWS - MARTIN LUTHER KING ASSASSINATED IN MEMPHIS, U.S.A. ACCORDING TO FIRST REPORTS, LUTHER KING HAS BEEN SHOT BY A 'WHITE WELL-DRESSED YOUNG MALE.'"

2. GRANMA, 6 APRIL, FRONT PAGE - "TWENTY-SEVEN PERSONS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN THE U.S. AS A RESULT OF THE FIGHTING WHICH HAS BEEN GOING ON SINCE THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. IN WASHINGTON ALONE THERE ARE 750 WOUNDED AND 4,186 PERSONS ARRESTED. SNIPERS CONTINUE TO BE ACTIVE IN DIFFERENT CITIES IN THE U.S. THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE CAPITOL ARE UNDER HEAVY GUARD." /FULL INFORMATION GIVEN/

3. GRANMA, 7 APRIL, LAST PAGE - "TO RICHMOND TO LIBERATE RAP BROWN." "/WASHINGTON, 7 APRIL, ASSOCIATED FRENCH PRESS - AFP, FRENCH NEWS AGENCY AMX LEAFLETS WERE DISTRIBUTED HERE THIS MORNING, URGING THE NEGRO PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON TO GO TO RICHMOND TO LIBERATE RAP BROWN." /THE LEAFLETS CALLED ON THE NEGROES TO FORM A MOTOR CADE AND LEAVE FOR RICHMOND TOMORROW, MONDAY...

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4. GRANMA, 1 APRIL, LAST PAGE - ARTICLE ENTITLED ''PRINCIPAL GRO ORGANIZATIONS IN THE U.S.'', BY JUANA CARRASCO. THE ARTICLE YS THAT NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO GROUPS - THE OLENT ONES AND THE NON-VIOLENT ONES. IT MENTIONS THE FOLLOWING ONG THOSE WHICH ADVOCATE THE USE OF VIOLENCE - CONGRESS OF RACIAL UALITY /CORE/, STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE /SNCC/, ACK MUSLIMS, BLACK PANTHER PARTY, BLACKSTONE RANGERS, THE ALERT IROL, REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT /RAM/, THE BLACK GUARDS, THE ACONS, AND ''THE U.S.''. THE FOLLOWING NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS ARE NTIONED AMONG THOSE WHICH ADVOCATE NON-VIOLENCE - NATIONAL ASSOATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE /NAACP/, NATIONAL BAN LEAGUE, AND THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE CLC/.

5. GRANMA, 1 APRIL, LAST PAGE - ''ATTEMPTS ARE BING MADE TO AME CARMICHAEL FOR THE OUTBREAK OF RACIAL VIOLENCE IN THE U.S.''

6. GRANMA, 1 APRIL, LAST PAGE - ''RACIAL CLASHES BETWEEN NEGRO D WHITE AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN JAPAN.''

7. GRANMA, 1 APRIL, LAST PAGE - ''THE AMERICAN NEGRO PEOPLE.''

8. GRANMA, 1 APRIL, LAST PAGE - ''MARTYRS OF THE NEGRO RUGGLE.''

9. RADIO LIBERACION AND RADIO PROGRESO /HAVANA RADIO STATIONS/, APRIL, UWP - A.M. AND 12 NOON - ''THE CHIEF OF THE MISSION TO CUBA THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT HAS SENT A MESSAGE AFRO-AMERICANS ON THE ASSASSINATION OF THE LEADER, MARTIN LUTHER NG. THIS MESSAGE SAYS THAT THE CRIME WHICH WAS COMMITTED AGAINST RTIN LUTHER KING UNMASKS THE EVIL FACE OF THE RULERS AND RACISTS THE UNITED STATES.'' ''THE MESSAGE OF THE VIETNAMESE MISSION IN VANA ENDS BY SAYING THAT, WITH THE ASSASSINATION OF LUTHER KING, L THAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED BY THE RULERS OF THE UNITED STATES TO POUR OIL ONTO THE FLAMES OF THE STRUGGLE OF AFRO-AMERICANS,

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THAT THESE FLAMES ARE RISING VIOLENTLY TO PUT AN END TO ALL THE
RESSION AND INJUSTICE WHICH IS FOUND IN THE UNITED STATES, WHICH
DERS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN THE ENTIRE
NTRY.''

10. QPM RADIO LIBERACION, 5 APRIL, REP P.M. - STOKELY CARMICHAEL,
DER OF BLACK POWER, SAID - WE NEGROES MUST ARM OURSELVES WITH
LES AND PISTOLS AND LAUNCH AN ASSAULT ON THE STREETS OF THE
IES OF THE UNITED STATES IN REPRISAL FOR KING'S ASSASSINATION.'
MICHAEL PREDICTED THAT THERE WILL BE EXECUTIONS IN THE STREETS AS
RESULT OF KING'S ASSASSINATION. HE ALSO PREDICTED THAT THE
OLENCE WHICH HAS BEEN UNLEASHED BY NEGROES AS A RESULT OF KING'S
ATH WILL BE PALE AS COMPARED TO WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN AMERICAN
TIES.''

11. QBM RADIO HABANA, 5 APRIL, 5 P.M. - ''HIS /KING'S/ DEATH SHOWS
CE AGAIN THAT THE EXPLOITED MASSES CAN ONLY ANSWER REACTIONARY
OLENCE WITH REVOLUTIONARY VIOLENCE.''

12. QWM RADIO PROGRESO, 5 APRIL, 5:55 P.M. - ''CARMICHAEL SAID
RING A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW THAT 'A SERIOUS MISTAKE HAS BEEN MADE
ASSASSINATING DR. KING BECAUSE HE HAD BEEN THE LEADER OF A MOVE-
NT WHICH URGED THE NEGRO PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES NOT TO BURN
E CITIES, NOT TO COMMIT ACTS OF VIOLENCE. THIS MEANS THAT IT WILL
NECESSARY TO START AN ALL-OUT REVOLUTION.' CARMICHAEL ADDED -
ERIOUS INCIDENTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN 35 CITIES WHERE THERE HAVE
EEN FIRES, SHOOTING, FIGHTING, AND DEATHS AS A RESULT OF THE CRIME
OMMITTED AGAINST DR. KING. NATURALLY, OTHER SIMILAR THINGS WILL
AKE PLACE. GUERRILLA WARFARE WILL RAPIDLY SPREAD THROUGH THE CITIES
ECAUSE IT IS ALREADY EVIDENT THAT WE CANNOT OPENLY REBEL AGAINST
HE POLICE.' STOKELY CARMICHAEL ENDED THE INTERVIEW BY SENDING
FFECTIONATE REGARDS TO THE REVOLUTIONARY CUBAN PEOPLE AND THEIR
EADER, FIDEL CASTRO RUZ.''

13. RADIO HABANA, 4 APRIL, 8 P.M. "JUAN /MARI/ BRAS, CRETARY-GENERAL OF THE MOVEMENT FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF PUERTO CO, MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS IN A LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE TERVIEW - "DR. LUTHER KING'S ASSASSINATION WILL UNDOUBTEDLY PRE-PITATE THE REBELLION OF THE NEGRO PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AINST ALL THE ABUSES OF WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN THE OBJECT." "

14. RADIO HABANA, 5 APRIL, 8 P.M. "THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT THE ASIAN, AFRICAN, AND LATIN AMERICAN PEOPLES SOLIDARITY ORGANI-TION /AALAPSO/ SENT A MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE TO THE SNCC ON THE SASSINATION OF LUTHER KING." "THE AALAPSO'S MESSAGE TO THE ERICAN PACIFIST ORGANIZATION ENDS AS FOLLOWS "WE BEG YOU TO PRESS TO THE FAMILY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING AND TO ALL AFRO-AMERICANS R DEEPEST SORROW OVER HIS DEATH, OUR DECISION TO SUPPORT YOUR RUGGLE, AND OUR DEEP CONVICTION THAT THIS TERRIBLE CRIME--WHICH OWS US THAT ARMED REVOLUTIONARY VIOLENCE IS THE ONLY WAY OF ACHIEV-G GENUINE LIBERATION--WILL HELP STRENGTHEN THE STRUGGLE OF THE RO-AMERICAN PEOPLE WHICH IS ALREADY AIMED IN THE DIRECTION OF A TAL CONFRONTATION." "

15. RADIO HABANA, 4 APRIL, 8 P.M. "AGUSTIN /GONZALEZ/ RTINEZ, BISHOP OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF CUBA, MADE THE FOLLOWING ATEMENTS IN A SPECIAL INTERVIEW - "MAY THE TRAGIC DISAPPEARANCE THIS GREAT LEADER AT LEAST HELP TO SPEED UP THE ARRIVAL OF THE DAY EN EVERY MAN IN HIS NATION AND IN ALL OTHER NATIONS WILL BE TREATED TH THE RESPECT WHICH IS DUE TO THEM AS HUMAN BEINGS." "

16. RADIO HABANA, 4 APRIL, 8 P.M. "REVEREND RAFAEL PASTOR, THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN LUYANO, HAVANA, MADE THE FOLLOWING ATEMENTS IN A SPECIAL INTERVIEW - "HIS BROTHERS, THE AMERICAN GROES, WILL LEARN MUCH FROM HIS DEATH. WE CAN ALMOST ASSURE THAT EY, THE AMERICAN NEGROES WHOSE DIGNITY AND DECORUM HAS BEEN USHED, WILL COME BACK TO LIFE AFTER CENTURIES OF LETHARGY AND

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LL RISE FROM THEIR GRAVES AND FORM AN INVINCIBLE ARMY.'' ''

17. ~~QUH~~ RADIO LIBERACION, 5 APRIL, 6 P.M. EDITORIAL COMMENTS

ITICIZING THE NON-VIOLENT LINE WHICH WAS ADVOCATED BY LUTHER KING,

YING THAT THIS LINE WAS INOPERATIVE. ''MARTIN LUTHER KING DID NOT

EACH VIOLENCE BUT HE WAS THE VICTIM OF VIOLENCE. HE DID NOT

LEASH VIOLENCE BUT VIOLENCE MOWED HIM DOWN.''

18. ~~QUH~~ RADIO HABANA, 5 APRIL 68, 530 P.M. ''JOHNSON POSTPONED

S TRIP. HE CALLED THE CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS--WHO WERE MORE OR

SS UNDER CONTROL--TO GO TO THE WHITE HOUSE. JOHNSON APPEARED ON

LEVISION. HE EXPRESSED HIS ANGUISH AND HIS SORROW. HE MADE

NSPIRED COMMENTS ABOUT MARTIN LUTHER KING. THESE ACTIONS AND THESE

ORDS HIDE FEAR OVER THE WAVE OF JUST VIOLENCE WHICH IS STARTING TO

READ THROUGH THE UNITED STATES.'' ''AT A TIME WHEN COMPLEX INTER-

ATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS MIGHT BE UNDERWAY, UNDER DIFFICULT CONDITIONS,

HIS NEW CRIME WIDENS THE CHASM WHICH DIVIDES THE PEOPLE OF THE

NITED STATES AND INCITES THE PEOPLE TO PROMOTE DISTURBANCES WHOSE

AR-REACHING EFFECTS ARE HARD TO PREDICT.'' ''THE ASSASSINATION OF

ARTIN LUTHER KING CONFIRMS THAT THE VIOLENCE OF IMPERIALIST RACISTS

S ONLY ANSWERED EFFECTIVELY WITH THE VIOLENCE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY

TRUGGLE.''

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